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Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine
2009



The 118th Class



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Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine
welcomes you
to the
One Hundred and Eighteenth Commencement Ceremonies
honoring
the Class of 2009



Sunday, May 31, 2009

11:00 A.M.

The Academy of Music

Broad and Locust Streets

Philadelphia

Pennsylvania

Philadelphia College of Veterinary Medicine

receives you

to the

The Hundred and Eighteenth Commencement Exercises

honoring

the Class of 2000

Sunday, May 31, 2000

11:00 A.M.

The Academy of Music

Broad and Locust Streets

Philadelphia

Pennsylvania



The Star-Spangled Banner

*Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watch'd were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.
O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?*

*Francis Scott Key
September 1814*

Program

Prelude Music.....Martha DiSarlo

***Fanfare and Processional**

Faculty MarshalsPat Anthony Lannutti, D.O.
Michael F. Shank, D.O.

***Invocation**

Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and DeanKenneth J. Veit, D.O., MBA

***The National Anthem**.....

Nathan T. Jean
Class of 2009

Welcome

President.....Matthew Schure, Ph.D.

Remarks

Chairman, Board of TrusteesPaul W. McGloin, CPA, LL.D. (Hon.)

Presentation of Candidates

for Honorary DegreesDr. Schure

Conferring of the Degrees.....Dr. McGloin

DOCTOR OF LAWS, HONORIS CAUSA

Michael E. Ryan, D.O.
Associate Chief Medical Officer
Chairman of Pediatrics
Geisinger Health System

DOCTOR OF LAWS, HONORIS CAUSA

William G. Anderson, D.O., F.A.C.O.S.
Past President, American Osteopathic Association
Vice President, Academic Affairs, Osteopathic Medical Education
Detroit Medical Center, Sinai Grace Hospital

AddressDr. Anderson

Presentation of Candidates

for Degrees in CourseDr. Veit

Conferring of the DegreesDr. Schure

The Osteopathic Oath.....Joseph J. Kuchinski, D.O.
President, PCOM Alumni Association
Class of 1986

Military Oath of OfficeRear Admiral James H. Black, D.O., MC, USN (Ret.)

***Benediction**

Associate Vice President for Enrollment ManagementCarol A. Fox, M.M.

America, The Beautiful.....Pamela S. Meyers
Class of 2009

***Recessional**

Fanfare and Processional
Composed by Keith Chapman

*The audience will please rise.

Class of 2009 Vision Statement

We, the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine Class of 2009, believe that our career is a journey and not a destination. We stand ready to commit to a life of professionalism, which we define as respect for ourselves, our colleagues, our families, our patients, the community, continuous learning and the role of the physician.

We pledge to respect ourselves by cultivating healthy minds, bodies, and spirits. To become positive role models, we will maintain a personal balance of humility, altruism, integrity, and open-mindedness.

We respect and value our relationships with others because we impact their health and well being as much as they impact ours.

We are committed to the vigorous pursuit of life-long learning and teaching to enhance our ability to serve.

We respect and appreciate all members of the health care team and recognize that we share common goals. To maintain a positive environment among our colleagues, we pledge cooperation, loyalty, camaraderie, and compassion.

With respect for their experience and culture, we view patients not as diseases or procedures but as unique individuals. We maintain reverent appreciation for the dignity of the human body throughout all stages of life and after death. We vow to be advocates for our patients in every capacity in which we might serve them.

We respect and take pride in the osteopathic profession and will strive to mentor future generations. We will collaborate with our colleagues because we acknowledge the limits of our capabilities. We recognize our role as leaders and will work to uphold our responsibilities to society.

With these noble aspirations, a passion for medicine and a commitment to professional behavior, we enthusiastically seek the joy of the journey.

Commencement Speaker

**William G. Anderson, D.O., F.A.C.O.S.
Past President, American Osteopathic Association
Vice President, Academic Affairs, Osteopathic Medical Education
Detroit Medical Center, Sinai Grace Hospital**

Dr. Anderson began his professional career in the practice of medicine and surgery in Albany, Georgia, where he practiced for six years. During this time, he was a founder and first president of the Albany Movement, a desegregation coalition that spearheaded the Civil Rights Movement in southwest Georgia. Among his associations were Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Ralph Abernathy and other civil rights pioneers.

Dr. Anderson subsequently completed his training in general surgery in Detroit, Michigan, where he conducted a successful group surgical practice until 1984. Thereafter, he served as executive vice president and chief medical officer of the Michigan Health Corporation, director of governmental affairs for the Detroit Osteopathic Hospital, and associate director of medical education at Detroit Riverview Hospital. He presently serves as senior advisor to the dean at Michigan State College of Osteopathic Medicine as well as vice president of academic affairs, osteopathic medical education, at Detroit Medical Center.

Dr. Anderson served as a member of the Board of Directors of the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) for 20 years. He served as president of the organization from 1994-1995, and holds the distinction of being the first African-American to hold that office.

Past president of the Michigan and Wayne County Osteopathic Associations, he also served as president of the Michigan Osteopathic College Foundation. Dr. Anderson is a life member of the NAACP and a former member of the Highland Park YMCA where he served for more than 25 years. He served on the Board of Trustees for Des Moines University for over 20 years and on the Board of Directors of the Citizens Trust Bank in Atlanta for 24 years. He is a trustee and member of the Properties Planning Committee of the Hartford Memorial Baptist Church, Detroit.

Included among Dr. Anderson's numerous recognitions are the AOA Distinguished Service Award; Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine's Alumni of the Year Award; Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine's Phillips Medal of Public Service Award; the Michigan Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons' Distinguished Service Certificate; Wayne County's Community Service Award; Michigan Osteopathic Medical Center's Meritorious Service Award; Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine's Walter F. Patenge Medal of Public Service Award; the Michigan Osteopathic Society's Physician of the Year; and the Orael F. Martin Distinguished Surgeon Award. He has received 12 honorary degrees from various educational institutions.

A graduate of Des Moines Still College of Osteopathy & Surgery (today Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine), Dr. Anderson is certified in general surgery. He is a diplomate of the American Osteopathic Board of Surgery and a fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons.

Dr. Anderson was married to the late Norma Anderson, with whom he published *Autobiographies of a Black Couple of the Greatest Generation* (2004), a memoir of their experiences during the 1960s. He has five children, three of whom are osteopathic physicians, and ten grandchildren, two of whom are osteopathic physicians.

Honorary Degree

**Michael E. Ryan, D.O.
Associate Chief Medical Officer
Chairman of Pediatrics, Geisinger Health System**

Dr. Ryan is associate chief medical officer and chairman of pediatrics for Geisinger Health System. He also serves as a clinical professor of pediatrics at Temple University and Jefferson Medical College.

Since 1992, Dr. Ryan has served as chairman of the Children's Miracle Network at Geisinger, supporting pediatric services at the Janet Weis Children's Hospital and Geisinger Medical Center, Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center in Wilkes-Barre, and more than 50 health groups throughout a 31-county area.

Dr. Ryan is a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians. He is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association, the Pediatric Infectious Disease Society, the Irish and American Pediatric Society, and the Pediatric Society of Northeast Pennsylvania.

An avid author and editor, Dr. Ryan has published more than 90 research protocols, peer-reviewed papers, abstracts and book reviews and has served as a manuscript referee for *American Family Physician*, the *Journal of the American Osteopathic Association*, *Clinical Infectious Diseases*, *Clinical Pediatrics*, the *Journal of Clinical Microbiology*, and the *Journal of Clinical Pathology*. He has delivered lectures at international and national conventions and was selected to present the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians' Watson Memorial Lecture in 1992.

Included among Dr. Ryan's recognitions are the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians Resident Essay Contest (1977), the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians' Distinguished Service Award (1992), the Miracle Maker Award (1994), and the Golden Apple Award for Excellence in Teaching (2006-2007).

Dr. Ryan earned a bachelor of science degree from Mount Saint Mary's College and a doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from the Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine. Board certified in pediatrics and pediatric infectious diseases, Dr. Ryan fulfilled his internship and residency requirements at Tri-County Hospital, Springfield, Pennsylvania, and Geisinger Medical Center respectively. His fellowship in pediatric infectious diseases was completed at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, Tennessee.

Dr. Ryan and his wife of 39 years, Kieran, have four children and six grandchildren.

Awards

We congratulate all of our award recipients for their distinguished academic performance and service to the College and community.

2009

LINDBACK DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARD

This award by the trustees of the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation is given to a faculty member of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine for demonstrated excellence in teaching students:

Saul Jeck, D.O.

THE DEAN'S AWARD

Awarded to those members of the graduating class who by personal and professional conduct and by contributions to student affairs and to the general program of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine have been deemed worthy of special citation as a recipients of the Dean's Award:

Scott Clinton Feitell
Christopher A. Gallus

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARD

Awarded by the Alumni Association of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine to that member of the graduating class who has been selected because of the high caliber of performance of professional duties in the hospital and outpatient services:

Sarah Wilema Lantz

THE JOHN H. EIMERBRINK, D.O. MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded to that member of the graduating class who in the opinion of the members of the department of osteopathic manipulative medicine has shown exceptional ability in the use of osteopathic philosophy and osteopathic manipulative treatment:

Kristofer John Feeko

Awards

THE DEAN ARTHUR M. FLACK AND BELLE B. FLACK MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded upon recommendation of the department of internal medicine to that member of the graduating class who has been selected as most proficient in the practice of internal medicine:

Ryan Dane Reber

THE WILBUR P. LUTZ, D.O. MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded upon recommendation of the department of internal medicine to that member of the graduating class who has been selected as the most proficient in physical diagnosis:

Craig Andrew Mackaness

THE WILLIAM F. DAIBER, D.O. MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded to that member of the graduating class who has been selected on the basis of exceptional ability in the field of cardiology:

David Sol Stolzenberg

THE FREDERIC H. BARTH MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded to that member of the graduating class who has been selected on the basis of excellence in the field of bronchopulmonary and upper respiratory disease:

Erin A. Riley

THE KENNETH L. WHEELER, D.O. MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded to that member of the graduating class whose interests and achievements in didactic and clinical radiology studies have been of high order:

George Gavern

THE HAROLD C. WADDEL, D.O. MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded upon recommendation of the staff of the department of obstetrics and gynecology to that member of the graduating class who has been selected for exceptional competence in obstetrics and gynecology:

Vaneesha Vallabh

Awards

THE H. WILLARD STERRETT, D.O., AND H. WILLARD STERRETT, JR., D.O. MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded upon recommendation of the division of urology to that member of the graduating class who has been selected on the basis of proficiency in urology:

Kira Marie Krivy

THE GALEN S. YOUNG, SR., D.O. MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded upon recommendation of the department of surgery to that member of the graduating class who has shown exceptional interest and ability in the field of surgery:

Amy L. Curry

THE JESSIE M. YOUNG MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded to that member of the graduating class
for exceptional service to the community or to the College:

Bernard Christian Ciongoli

THE WILLIAM H. DICKERSON, D.O. MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded upon recommendation of the department of internal medicine to that
member of the graduating class who has achieved exceptional competence
in the field of infectious disease:

Katie Johnson

THE FRIEDA O. VICKERS, D.O. AND MAJOR JAMES VICKERS FAMILY PRACTICE AWARD

Awarded upon recommendation of the department of family practice
to that member of the graduating class who has been selected as most proficient
in the field of family medicine:

Patrick Francis Coughlin

THE IRVING S. ROGOVE, D.O. '36 MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded to that member of the graduating class who has been selected on the basis of
excellence in the field of geriatrics:

Claudia Stratemeyer Lum Clark

Awards

THE PENNSYLVANIA OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION AWARD

Awarded to that student recognized as an outstanding graduate upon recommendation of the faculty and administration of PCOM in consultation with the Awards Committee of the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association:

Pamela Sue Meyers

2009 EXCELLENCE IN EMERGENCY MEDICINE AWARD

Awarded by the Society for Academic Emergency Medicine to a senior medical student who has demonstrated excellence in the specialty of emergency medicine:

Jonathan David Trager

THE LEONARD H. FINKELSTEIN, D.O. AWARD

The Leonard H. Finkelstein, D.O. Award for Exhibiting Excellence in Compassionate Concern for Patients was created in the year 2000 by Bobbie and Gene Shaid in memory of Bobbie. The award is in recognition of Dr. Finkelstein's commitment to outstanding patient care and is presented to that member of the graduating class who has demonstrated these qualities:

Gregory George Casey

THE RUTH WADDEL CATHIE, D.O. '38 MEMORIAL AWARD IN PATHOLOGY

Awarded to that student who obtained the highest grade-point average in pathology:

Ryan Dane Reber

THE ARNOLD S. LINCOW, D.O. '76 AWARD

Established by Dr. Lincow and awarded to that member of the graduating class who has shown interest, competency and aptitude for end of life care and has demonstrated skills in multiple modalities including osteopathic manipulative treatment to alleviate pain and suffering:

Lauren Elaine Strohm

Awards

THE SIMMY GINSBURG HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Presented by the family of Simmy Ginsburg to that graduating student who has shown himself or herself to be not only a strong and conscientious medical student but also one who has demonstrated integrity, kindness, compassion, empathy, a love of life and who has had a positive impact on the lives of his or her fellow students, medical colleagues and patients:

Amanda McKenna Lee

THE DR. THOMAS M. ROWLAND, JR. SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD

Awarded upon recommendation of a special committee of alumni, administration, faculty and staff and representatives of athletic programs to that member of the graduating class who has shown academic excellence in basic and clinical sciences and who has participated in and contributed to one of the College's organized sports programs:

Craig Andrew Mackaness

THE E. MUNRO PURSE, D.O. '32 MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded to that member of the graduating class who has been selected on the basis of excellence in the field of pediatrics:

Henna A. Qureshi

THE PCOM STUDENT MEMORIAL AWARD

Presented by Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine
in memory of those students who passed away
before graduating as osteopathic physicians: Homer Mackey,
Lewis Rossman, D. Neil Grove, Richard F. Campo, Paul G. Moscato,
Marianne C. Filipczyk, Peter McLaughlin, Jr., Clifford G. Dorf,
Anthony J. Di Michele, Joseph R. Krobert, David M. Atlas, Jr.,
Michelle M. Andrews, John D. Kearney, Behrang Emami, Matthew D. Antrobus, Rebecca
A. Park, Ross E. Breitbart, Elton G. Cosby . . . Awarded to that member of the
graduating class who has attained the highest scholastic average in didactic study:

Ryan Dane Reber

Awards

The following scholarship awards were presented to graduates at various times during their first, second, third or fourth years.

MASON W. PRESSLY MEMORIAL AWARD

This medal, in memory of the co-founder of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, is presented to the student who is recognized by students, faculty and administration as “Student D.O. of the Year.” The recipient is honored for outstanding achievement and service to the College, the community and the osteopathic profession:

Helen A. Chang	2009
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THE DR. ETHEL D. ALLEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded each year in memory of Dr. Ethel D. Allen, a 1963 graduate of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, by the William Penn Foundation to a first-year female, minority medical student:

Jovan S. Adams	2006
Monique A. Gary	2006

THE GINA F. SIMELARO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a fourth-year student who is a parent and has shown evidence of academic excellence and financial need:

Emilia O. Adah	2008
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THE RICHARD E. COLARUSSO, D.O. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a third- or fourth-year student who has shown evidence of academic excellence, demonstrated financial need, and is a resident of Lackawanna or Luzerne County:

Jeffrey M. Gillette	2007
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THE LEONARD P. HARMAN, D.O. SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded each year to a married student who demonstrates academic excellence and financial need:

Christopher J. Alexander	2008
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Awards

THE BERNARD F. MASTER, D.O. '66 SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded each year to a member of the fourth-year class who plans to practice primary care medicine in an urban, medically underserved area:

Larissa Laskowski

2008

THE LOUISA B. SMITH, D.O. SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded each year to a female medical student who expresses an interest in the osteopathic concept:

Kelli M. Young

2007

STUDENT SERVICE AWARD

Awarded to a second-year student in recognition of outstanding service to fellow students, College, and community:

Christopher A. Gallus

2007

CLASS OF 1996 SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established by the Class of 1996 in memory of Michelle M. Andrews, David M. Atlas, Jr., and Joseph R. Krobert who passed away while enrolled at PCOM:

Joshua L. Long

2007

J. SYDNEY HOFFMAN MEMORAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to a second-year student who places in the top five of the class, documents financial need and demonstrates leadership qualities as shown by involvement in extracurricular activities:

Richard R. Menzel

2006

CLASS OF 2003 MEMORIAL AWARD

Established in memory of Matthew Antrobus and Behrang Emami by the Class of 2003, this award is given to a second-year medical student who is either a member of the Christian Medical Society or participated in the Follies:

Pamela Sue Meyers

2007

Awards

SARA AND BENJAMIN LINCOW PAIN MANAGEMENT MEMORIAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Arnold S. Lincow, D.O. '76, and his family, in memory of his parents, this scholarship is awarded to a second- or third-year medical student who exhibits a professional commitment in the area of pain management:

Michael P. Lowney	2007
Lucy Safi	2007
Danielle N. Campbell	2008
Bernard C. Ciongoli	2008

NICHOLAS S. NICHOLAS, D.O. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to a fourth-year student who has shown high academic achievement in osteopathic manipulative medicine and excellent physician/patient communication skills:

Danielle N. Campbell	2007
Michael P. Lowney	2007
Kristofer J. Feeko	2008
Kelli M. Young	2008

LEWIS M. YUNGINGER, D.O. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to a third- or fourth-year medical student who has demonstrated academic excellence by placing in the top ten percent of the class at the completion of the second year:

Eugene G. Haas	2008
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JAY R. ROSAN, D.O. '71 PHILADELPHIA FUTURES SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Dr. Rosan, this scholarship benefits inner city disadvantaged students attending medical school:

Monique A. Gary	2005
Jovan S. Adams	2006
Jessica B. White	2008

**THE RUTH AND IRVING KORNBERG INTERNAL MEDICINE
SCHOLARSHIP**

Established by Bruce Kornberg, D.O. '78, in honor of his parents, this scholarship is awarded annually to a third-year medical student who shows the greatest interest in pursuing a career in internal medicine:

Gadi Arzanipour

2008

THE LEONARD H. FINKELSTEIN, D.O. '59 SCHOLARSHIP

Established with donations to The PCOM Mission by the late Richard M. Papa, D.O. '75, and Leonard H. Finkelstein, D.O. '59, PCOM's sixth President, along with family and friends, a scholarship is awarded annually to a fourth-year medical student with demonstrated interest in the field of urology, as shown by participation in urology conferences, urologic research and/or published writings:

Kira M. Krivy

2009

THE REUBEN B. '52 AND ESTELLE S. LOEB '53 SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family of Drs. Reuben and Estelle Loeb in honor and celebration of their contributions to medical practice, learning and to their community, a scholarship is awarded annually to a fourth-year medical student who has demonstrated excellence in performance in PCOM urban health care centers and a commitment to assisting low-income patients in urban areas:

Amy K. Morgan

2009

THE JOANNE PIERINGER, PH.D. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established to honor JoAnne Pieringer, Ph.D., an outstanding PCOM educator, researcher and community advocate, this scholarship is awarded to a student with a strong interest in scientific research or demonstrates intellectual curiosity and concern for others within and beyond the PCOM community:

Monique A. Gary

2007

Awards

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF PCOM SCHOLARSHIP

Established with donations to The PCOM Mission capital campaign by the Alumni Association of PCOM, graduates and friends of the College, this scholarship is awarded to second-year medical students who place in the top 15 percent of their class academically, participate in Student Government and/or extracurricular activities, and demonstrate financial need:

Brian J. Cooper	2007
Amy L. Curry	2007
Hareth Madhoun	2007
Jennifer L. Nguyen	2007
Robert A. Palermo	2007
Henna A. Qureshi	2007

JOSEPH A. LaCAVERA, Jr., D.O. '44 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of Joseph A. LaCavera, Jr., D.O., Class of 1944, to provide financial assistance to a medical student with an identified physical disability:

Alyson J. Fincke	2006
Amal G. Kebede	2006

PCOM RUGBY SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to a student each year who must be in good academic standing, has demonstrated financial need, and is an active member of the male or female PCOM Rugby Football Club:

Danielle N. Campbell	2007
David M. Ermak	2007
Brian R. Schwab	2008

DR. CORINNE SANTERIAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP IN PEDIATRICS

Established in memory of Corinne Santerian, D.O. '87, by her family, this scholarship is awarded to a second-, third- or fourth-year medical student who has financial need and who has shown interest in a career in pediatrics:

Emily L. Bray	2008
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FIVE BROTHERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the late Harry Ginsburg, D.O. '42, in memory of his five brothers: Herman, Morris, Louis, Joseph, D.O. '53, and Abraham, D.O. '53, this award seeks to provide financial assistance to a second-year osteopathic medical student who places in the upper one-third of the class and who demonstrates financial need:

Amanda M. Schell

2006

MORTON E. TERRY, D.O. '45 MEMORIAL STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

This award is given in memory of Dr. Terry, a leading educator and imaginative community leader who founded the Southeastern College of Osteopathic Medicine.

A gift of the Zedeck Family Foundation, it is given to a second-year student in recognition of outstanding service to fellow students, College and community:

Christopher A. Gallus

2007

THE MARTHA AND MICHAEL J. AVALLONE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Michael F. Avallone, Sr., D.O. '59, in memory of his parents, this scholarship is awarded annually to either second- or third-year medical students who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement and future potential as osteopathic physicians, have a disabled or deceased parent and are residents of Pennsylvania:

Ellen J. Mangin

2007

THE RUSSELL C. McCAUGHAN EDUCATIONAL FUND

This scholarship is presented annually to a second-year student who has shown outstanding capabilities and strong motivation in osteopathic philosophy during his or her first year:

Ryan D. Reber

2006

Awards

MINORITY MEDICAL STUDENT GRANT

Established with contributions to The PCOM Mission to assist in the recruitment and retention of under-represented minority students and to provide financial assistance, this scholarship is awarded to recipients who have outstanding academic credentials and are citizens or permanent residents of the United States:

Malissa Barbosa	2005
Monique A. Gary	2005-2008
Marcia Hernandez	2004
Matthew Montgomery	2004-2005

WILLIAM F. DAIBER, D.O. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of Dr. Daiber with a gift by a childhood friend, this scholarship is awarded to a second-year D.O. student in good academic standing with demonstrated financial need:

Adam L. Doré	2007
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DR. FREDERIC H. BARTH SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of Dr. Barth, President of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine from 1956 to 1974, this scholarship is awarded to a second-year D.O. student in good academic standing:

Eugene G. Haas	2006
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PARKVIEW HOSPITAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the physicians of Parkview Hospital, upon its closing, this scholarship is awarded to a second-, third-, or fourth-year student who was raised and attended high school in Philadelphia, Bucks, Montgomery, Chester, or Delaware County, and who demonstrates financial need and academic excellence:

Eugene G. Haas	2006
Robert A. Palermo	2008

Awards

MARY F. T. CONROY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of Mrs. Conroy by her family, this scholarship is awarded to a fourth year-female osteopathic medical student who has demonstrated financial need and shows the greatest interest in pursuing a career in Internal Medicine:

Waed Jarjous

2008

REBECCA PARK MEMORIAL AWARD

Established in memory of Rebecca Park, a PCOM student who died during her fourth year, this scholarship is presented to the student who most closely reflects the qualities that Rebecca brought to the profession:

Justin L. Costa

2008

THE JESSIE YOUNG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of Mrs. Young, the late wife of the College's Chancellor and Chairman of the Department of Surgery, the late Galen S. Young, D.O., the scholarship is awarded to a second-year student enrolled in the D.O. program, who exhibits strong osteopathic manipulative technical skills and financial need:

Ryan D. Reber

2006

Kristina M. Thornburg

2007



Degrees in Course
May 31, 2009

Degrees in Course

CLINICAL MASTER OF SCIENCE

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Neurology

Carl R. Hoegerl, D.O.

Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine

Class of 2001

“Evaluation of a Stroke Alert Protocol in the Emergency Department”

Degrees in Course

DOCTOR OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

Emilia O. Adah

Uyo, Nigeria
B.S., University of Calabar
MBA, Saint Joseph's University
Internal Medicine – Mercy Catholic
Medical Center, PA

Jovan S. Adams*

Philadelphia, PA
B.S., The Pennsylvania State University
M.S., Philadelphia College of
Osteopathic Medicine
Internship: NPHS/Saint Joseph's
Hospital, PA

Taimur Akram

Hermitage, PA
B.S., Allegheny College
Internal Medicine – UPMC/Mercy
Hospital, PA

Christopher James Alexander

Wilmington, DE
B.S., University of Delaware
M.S., Thomas Jefferson University
Internship: Saint John's Episcopal
Hospital, NY

Donald Lee Allison, II

Fort Collins, CO
B.A., Brigham Young University
Pathology – COM/Drexel University/
Hahnemann University Hospital, PA

Shannon K. Alsop

Flemington, NJ
B.A., Rutgers - The State University
Internship: Crozer-Chester Medical
Center, PA

Shaun M. Altneu

Hazlet, NJ
B.S., The George Washington University
Internal Medicine – Saint Vincent's
Hospital, NY

Diedra Elena Amendola

Waverly, PA
B.S., University of Scranton
Family Practice – NSUCOM/Saint Vincent's
Medical Center, FL

Ricca Aimee Ando

Philadelphia, PA
B.S., Georgetown University
M.M.S., Drexel University
College of Medicine
Internship: PCOM/Abington Memorial
Hospital, PA

Beth Ellen Anlas

Belvidere, NJ
B.S., Elizabethtown College
Internal Medicine – Northside Hospital &
Heart Institute, FL

Peter Armanas

Ellicott City, MD
B.S., United States Military Academy at
West Point
Neurology – Walter Reed Army Medical
Center, Washington, DC

Gadi Arzanipour

Los Angeles, CA
B.S., University of California at Los Angeles
M.M.S., Drexel University College
of Medicine
Internal Medicine – Temple University
Hospital, PA
Anesthesiology – Thomas Jefferson
University, PA

Christeen Azmy

Monroe, NJ
B.A., The George Washington University
Pediatrics – SUNY HSC, NY

Mark Backeris

Pittsburgh, PA
B.S., Duquesne University
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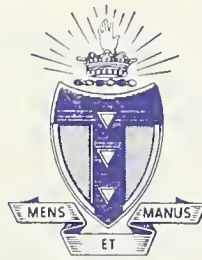
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The College Seal



The College seal first appeared in 1925 embossed on the cover of *The Synapsis*, the College's first yearbook. Volume One of *The Synapsis* was published by the junior class of Philadelphia College of Osteopathy in honor of the graduating class of 1925. The first seal incorporated the College motto *mens et manus*, "mind and hand." The seal's origin is unknown, as is its designer.

In 1938, Edgar O. Holden, D.O. '22, dean of the College from 1924-1943, and Russell C. Erb, Ph.D., associate dean from 1937-1943, proposed and designed a coat of arms. The coat of arms appeared for the first time in the 1938 alumni magazine and featured a heraldic design that applies to the osteopathic profession. The three triangles are symbolic of the three segments of the vertebral column, which has a significant part in the science of osteopathic medicine. The hand emerges from a noble crown indicative of the regal aspect and dignity, as well as the healing powers of the human hand when applied to the art and science of osteopathic medicine. The College motto was retained and the coat of arms was utilized as the College seal in various motifs through the mid-1980s.

An adaptation of the first College seal was re-introduced in 1986. Today's College seal, similar to the original, was adopted following the College's Centennial Celebration in 1999.

The seal features a centrally-placed shield within which are shown a scroll and a flaming torch of knowledge. Immediately above is the College motto, *mens et manus*, reflecting the College's osteopathic origin. Uppermost and arranged in a radial pattern are streaks of solar brilliance. Separated from either side of the shield are branches of laurel joined and bound together at the center, close to the base of the shield. These components exemplify teaching, learning and the attainment of knowledge leading to successful careers in the health care professions. The name of the College and the year of its founding encircle the seal.

The Mace and the Baton

PCOM's academic processions are led by the bearer of the College mace who precedes or accompanies the president of the College. The bearers of the mace and baton serve as marshals of faculty. The medieval mace was first a protective device for the clergy who were not allowed to carry swords. Later, maces became ceremonial and are carried today in the Houses of Parliament in England and also in the United States House of Representatives where, when in position to the right of the Speaker of the House, it is a symbol of his or her authority.

The Alumni Association of PCOM presented the mace to the College in 1972. The idea of having a College mace was first proposed in 1969. Several maces were thus designed but support for the undertaking was lacking. It was the enthusiastic spirit of Ms. Carol Fox, at that time assistant registrar, now associate vice president for enrollment management, that caused Dr. Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., then registrar and vice president-administration, later president of PCOM, to acquiesce.

Paul T. Lloyd, D.O., designed the mace which was created by William F. J. Ryan of New York, a member of the Academic International D'Heraldique.

A sphere with a golden crown tops the mahogany staff heralding sovereign authority of the College to grant the degree Doctor of Osteopathy by virtue of the powers given it by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Engraved on the sphere is the caduceus, the symbol of medicine. The caduceus represents the staff of Aesculapius, the Latin name for Askelepios, the Greek god of medicine, son of Apollo and the nymph, Coronis. A snake is entwined on the staff's branch because the serpent was held sacred to the gods and was an early symbol of medicine.

Three coats of arms appear on the upper of the two hexagonal modes: Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (directly beneath the caduceus), the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the City of Philadelphia (the locale of the College since its founding in 1899). PCOM's coat of arms is engraved on the top of the marshal's baton, a symbol of authority in keeping with the title and office held by the marshal.

The metallic elements of the mace, to wit the hexagonal modes and the globe, are bronze-based with heavily-plated rhodium. The coronet is gold-plated and the staff is South American mahogany.

The Academic Costume

The history of academic costume originated in medieval times and stems from the early days of the oldest universities. It is thought that long gowns were first worn for warmth in the cold lecture halls. And hoods may have covered the tonsured head (shorn crown) of priests and monks who made up the faculty. One university insisted on the tonsure for scholars. The hoods were replaced by the skull cap, which in turn was displaced by a headgear somewhat like that worn today.

The faculty and students of European universities still wear a diversity of academic regalia. However, in 1893, a United States intercollegiate commission dictated a uniform code which has been accepted by most American colleges and universities.

The commission devised three types of gowns and three types of hoods for the bachelor's, the master's and the doctorate degree. All gowns are black except for the associate in arts degree which is gray.

The bachelor's gown features pointed sleeves and is worn closed; the master's gown has an oblong sleeve and may be worn open or closed. The gown for the doctorate degree has bell-shaped sleeves slashed with three velvet bars. The front of the gown is faced with velvet and is worn either open or closed.

The colorful hoods are lined with silk in the color or colors of the institution granting the degree (PCOM's colors are maroon and gray). In addition, the hood is trimmed with velvet facing representing the academic discipline in which the degree has been granted: white for arts, letters or humanities; golden-yellow for science; purple for law; lemon-yellow for library science; sapphire-blue for commerce or business; light blue for education; brown for fine arts, dark blue for philosophy; green for medicine—the color of life and growth (Fellows of the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons wear hoods trimmed with crimson) The length of the hood varies according to the degree: short for the associate and bachelor's degree, medium for the master's and long for the doctorate.

Mortarboards are generally recommended for caps; although soft, square-topped caps are permissible. Tassels may be black or gold and are usually gold for the doctorate degree. While there is no rule for the position of the tassel, many colleges and universities (including PCOM) request the candidates to wear the tassel on the right side and to shift it to the left at the moment the degree is awarded.

Osteopathic Oath

*I do hereby affirm my loyalty
to the profession I am about to enter. I will be mindful
of my responsibility to preserve the health and life of my
patients, to perform faithfully my professional duties.*

*I will be vigilant in aiding in
the general welfare of the community.*

*I will endeavor to work in accord with my colleagues
in a spirit of progressive co-operation.*

*I will look with respect and esteem
upon all those who have taught me my art.
I will be loyal to my college and strive always
for its best interests and for the interests of the students
who will come after me.*

*I will be alert to further the application of basic
biologic truths and to develop
the principles of Osteopathic Medicine.*

America, The Beautiful

*O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain.
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea.*

*O beautiful for heroes proved,
In liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved,
And mercy more than life!
America! America!
May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness,
And every gain divine.*

Katherine Lee Bates



